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NOT THE COORIER

BULLETIN OF THE TAYSIDE LIBERTARIAN SOCIALISTS
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ABOUT NOT THE COORIER

We hope these pages reflect the current trends and thoughts within the Tayside Libertarian Socialist (TLS) group, and provide a medium for open communication within the group. On another level, we will also print articles, news etc from any source, indeed, we have a totally open editorial policy. We envisage this policy leading to a situation where you will find political debate, news etc here which is not printed anywhere else in Tayside.

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ABOUT THE LIBERTARIAN SOCIALISTS

The TLS are an explicitly Anarchist group. We function through a policy of Mutual Aid, and organize using many coordinated work parties.

Much of our time is spent discussing Anarchist politics but we are best known for our public meetings, events etc.

The aims of the TLS are simple, to develop a wide - spread anti-authoritarian communal concicusness, and to combat oppression and exploitation. Our methods are argument and action.

For more details, come to one of our meetings, or write to us at; 3R, 17 Cheviot Cres. Dundee.

TREASON AT BAXTER PARK

DUNDEE, 29th JULY. A mass of irreverent and disloyal subjects was today reported to have assembled at a free open air festival in Baxter Park to celebrate their opposition to monarchy in general, and the royal wedding in particular. Elsewhere, despite the warm and clear day, millions of people were sensibly indoors obediently glued to their TV sets.

The dissidents, the infamous No Nukes Music, had deliberately organised the secret music event to clash with the royal jamboree. A police spokesman reported 1500 subversives present, and apparently enjoying a tremendously varied programme of live music offered by local bands participating voluntarily. Groups by the name of the Rude Boys, Alternative, Carnage, Toxic Effex, the Blush, Blaize and the Interrogated are now being sought to help the authorities investigate the incident.

The seriousness with which official sources are viewing this event is thought to have been compounded by blatent attempts to distort the minds of innocent young bystanders. Stalls peddling the warped leftist views of organisations such as CND, SCRAM, Friends of the Earth, LPYS, Womens Aid, Anarchists, Hunt Sab oteurs, Cyrenians etc. were openly flaunting their propaganda. Commercial exploitation and moral degradation were clearly visible in the activities of City Farm, Kiddies Corner, wholefood and craftwork stalls and a highly suspicious fortune teller.

Complaints from passing members of the public alleged that the entire event was a tremendous success.

NEWS FROM NOWHERE

Dundee's first Libertarian newspaper since the demise of Black Cat in 1976 appears through your letterbox today. The Tayside Libertarian Socialists (TLS) hope to follow up their recent successful public impact with this monthly broadsheet, which is an informative alternative to the local whitewash machine. We seek to encourage discussion and contact between the growing number of Libertarian, like-minded people.

This small prototype of a larger and better paper is being sent to everyone who came to our public meetings. We hope you will all subscribe and contribute material. It needs your involvement and support if it is to really be a viable proposition.

Round Up

President Reagan has "sent a message" to Libya, via the U.S. Air Force. This message was the shooting down of two Libyan planes in the Mediterranean Gulf of Sirte, under conditions which look like provocation by the Americans.

For eight years now, Libya's nationalist, pan-Islamic leader, Colonel Qadhafi, has been trying to establish Libyan sovereignty over territorial waters extending right across the Gulf of Sirte and exceeding by far the normal boundaries of agreed 'territorial sea' and 'exclusive economic zone'.

Qadhafi, incidentally, is expansionist on land as well as sea, seeking to establish a pan-Islamic bloc, if not empire, in the extensive but impoverished lands to the south of Libya — an ambition viewed with some concern by the central African states whose boundaries he would then reach (although he *was* very friendly with President Amin of Uganda). Nor is he popular among his fellow Arab leaders, among whom Sadat has referred to him as a 'madman'.

One reason for this could be that he is given to policies like defending the Gulf, 'even if it meant war with the United States or a Third World War'!

So much for the little madman. What about the big one? While President Reagan wants to show off his muscles bashing little Libya (for there seems to be evidence that the Gulf incident was planned at the highest level), could it be that he really wants to stir up conflict around the periphery of Europe in order to bring more pressure on those European leaders reluctant to take up the US offer of neutron bombs?

☆

"Of course I love my country, but I'm not a fanatic about it."

☆

Someone should tell Reagan that in real life the good guys don't always win. Can't some kindly producer in Hollywood offer him a last role as an aging gunslinger, so that he can live out his fantasies — harmlessly?

ALL NATION-STATES ARE RACIST.

Britains government supports the racist state of South Africa (SA) in several ways. Ths sanction-busting hypocracy of the Wilson regieme in the face of intrenational capitalism fades to nothing now that Thatcher is in power.

SA's invasion of Angola is a recent example. In the UN, Britain abstained in a motion censuring SA, which was vetoed by the USA. However, in a typically slimy way familiar to Britain-watchers, our own "defenders of freedom" had previously changed the motion so all mention of Britains massive involvement in SA was deleted. Never trust a government.

One small but important way in which we can build anti-SA solidarity is to protest at the deportation of Steve Raman. Steve was married until recently to a Dundee woman, but is now being deported to SA, where, being black he faces certain harrassment. Enquiries to S. Raman Defence, c/o 11d Greenfield Court, Dundee.

PUKES

In a recent article in the prestigious science journal Nature (Vol 292, No 5826, p792), JEF. Baruch, from Leeds University states that tanks can be made safe from the radiation blasts produced by neutron bombs for only an additional 5 tons on the weight of a 30 ton tank.

Neutron bombs are made to kill people, and not harm property, in future it looks like they will only kill civilians.

Protest — without illusions!

H-block

On Sat. 29th Aug. a march organized by Dundee's Hunger-Strike Action Comm. wound its way to the city centre from Charleston. The very vocal demonstrators, flanked both by a few obvious-sly hostile police, and also paramilitary stewards dressed in black, with berets and dark glasses. The route kept to main roads, away from areas where people might have heard slogans etc. The march was notable for the lack of local left groups. Revolution-ary Comminist Group members and supporters from other Scottish cities made up the numbers to about 100. The organized Anarchist presence totalled 5, and we gave out 400 leaflets explaining our stance, these were greeted with hostility and occasional abuse by people on the street The final rally in city sq. got a bit heavy so we left to leaflet elsewhere.

In my view the march did nothing to rally local anti-imperialist feeling (due partly to lack of advertising, and partly to Left sectarianism). It did, however, form a focus for right-wing feeling from passers-by, and I felt that on balance the event was counter-productive.

courier quotes

Freudian slips, howlers, and straight comments revealing the true nature of a local newspaper. Now read on.....

Grouse will be on the luncheon tables at the five-star Gleneagles Hotel tomorrow, by using three methods of transport—fast car, aircraft and a powered hang glider.

After the grouse are downed, they will be rushed to the nearest airfield and then the precious cargo will be flown to Strathallan Airfield, a short distance from the hotel.

There, the grouse will be handed to chef Jean Maurice Cottet, who will hang glide on to the hotel lawn.

Children bombarded by political propaganda

A sinister privately funded right-wing organisation which opposes basic democratic rights (eg trade union membership) has been propagating virulent reactionary views unchecked to an estimated readership of 200000 in Tayside and beyond.

Regular Courier watchers have been recently amused by its comic coverage of the activities of the local (gasp!) Libertarian Socialists. Their exposés follow a now familiar strategy also recently practised to arouse public opinion against anti-war protests organised by CND and Dundee Peace Committee.

Their 4-point plan to distort news and influence people usually involves :-

Step1 Find just one decent-abiding citizen and evoke a furore of moral indignation round their objections (People will object to anything) Thus 'War veterans horrified by Lawmarch' 'Anarchist leaflet shocks headmaster', 'Incensed parent..'etc

Step 2 Develop the outrage theme through distorted, emotive and highly selective reporting Mention any references to violence

Step 3 Call on other public-spirited, reasonably minded community leaders to condemn eg 'the contents are sick', 'the public will be shocked

Step 4 Point out the moral of the story and advocate repressive measures to prevent repetition of the incident. One Labour council to justify banning a TLS public meeting was encouraged to commen

"Everyone is in favour of free speech but there are limits"

The Courier considers the term 'anarchism' to be self-explanatory -'historically a rather violent calling' with its mere mention enough to suggest bombs, chaos and provoke outrage

But wary of the growing attractiveness of even these misguided notions it seeks to add scorn to its moral indignation. Thus anarchists are described as 'strange fish'(sic), mystery men with a fuzzy philosophy' as well as attacked personally for the non-conformist crime of having a beard.

In this light, any attempt to get across political ideas is automatically seen as 'an attempt to subvert Dundee's normal school populace! These 'wolves in sheep's clothing' have 'the effrontery to try to arrange a meeting in the peaceful setting of the Wellgate centre' No actual bombs on view but their literature are both 'sick and ridiculous -'at the very least irreverent, at worst they incite revolution. Yet at the same time their 'faintlyinked tracts' and 'dog-eared pamphlets' are only 'bits of paper which offer something for nothing'

Even the Courier makes token gestures to support its claim to favour freedom of speech. The textof a letter it printed in reply to all this nonsense is printed below

SHOCK HORROR!

The dead hand of D. C Thomson's publishing empire has struck another blow against freedom of speech and for reaction.

Tayside Libertarian Socialists held a highly successful series of public meetings in Dundee over the winter. As part of the publicity for their final meeting 'Learning to Obey — the Politics of Schooling', posters and leaflets were sent to all Dundee schools.

D.C. Thomson's local rag 'The Courier' — a neolithic regional newspaper with backwoods views — immediately pounced on the negative reactions of one headmaster. They gave the issue headline coverage from the shock horror angle making much play of anarchist involvement. And prodded local Labour councillors into banning the meeting which was to take place in a local library.

The meeting itself was highly successful and constructive. Typically, despite the presence of two Courier reporters, the meeting went unreported next day — presumably because there was no violence, shock, horror.

Thomsons have a lot to answer for. They operate the only two newspapers in the Dundee area (Scotland's 4th largest city) and enjoy virtual saturation coverage. Recently they were instrumental in getting a concert by Punk band the Dead Kennedys banned. As well as preventing others airing their views, their own papers spout the most reactionary pro-war, pro-monetarist, pro-royalty line imaginable. Even more objectionable, their disgusting ideas are peddled through their string of children's comics (Warlord, Beano, Bunty, Jackie etc) — blatant exploitation and brainwashing. Thomson's staff have been non-union since 1926. Can civilised society tolerate the disgusting warped and powerful cancers of D.C. Thomsons?

WILDCAT
Thank goodness the Pentagon is on our side.
Oh indeed. And just what do you call "our" side ??
N-BOMB GOES AHEAD
The side of those who want the Earth to be melted down.
KREMLIN

Anarchism is a much abused and misunderstood term which carri untrue connotation of violence and nihilism. I describe myself as an Anarchist to people who know what the term means. I personally prefer the term Libertarian Socialist for public use. To imply that Anarchists are using the term Libertarian Socialism as a cover is totally untrue. Advertisements for public meetings prominently display Anarchist colours and symbols and Anarchist ideas are openly discussed. To further suggest that we are, in any way, promoting violence in or out of schools, is simply mistaken.

IT'S A WHOLE NEW ERA OF HAPPENINGS

MEETINGS ETC.

Sept 8th Tayside Libertarian Socialists. 68 Bell St, 2nd floor 7.30pm. Defining Libertarian Socialism.

Sept 9th SCRAM. Weekly meetings at DASS, 1 High St. 7.30.

Sept 10th CND "Medical aspects of nuclear war". Friends meeting house 7.30pm.

Sept 11/12 or 18/19. Anarchists Beach Party. Which date do we want-please make up your minds soon.

Sept 22nd Tayside Libertarian Socialists internal meeting at 68 Bell St. 7.30pm.

Sept 23rd CND. AGM at Unitarian church hall, Dudhope St.

Sept 26th CND demonstration in London. Transport to be provided.

Oct 6th Tayside Libertarian Socialists internal meeting, 68 Bell St, 7.30pm.

Oct 8th & 9th. University Solidarity Society at Societies Fayre, Uni Union all day. A round up of last years subversion.

Oct 20th University Solidarity Soc. Meeting and film "Anarchists". Main Hall Uni Union 1-2pm.

Oct 20th Tayside Libertarian Socialists internal meeting. 68 Bell St. 7.30pm.

Oct 22nd Tayside Libertarian Socialists public meeting in the Wellgate library conf. room entitled " Stateless Socialism" with film "Anarchists". 7.00 pm

MAN.

Send in your HAPPENINGS, discos, meetings, films etc. Women only or mixed, if you want the word spreading, send it to the contact address on the front page, or see us in person. We are normally disguised as any of the illustrations in this copy of Not the Coorier.

EVENTS ETC.

Sept 8th & 9th Threepenny Opera. Borderline Theatre, Bonar Hall 7.30pm.

Sept 25th Seduction of Joe Tynan. Crieff Hydro Cinema, 7.30.

Oct 19th & 20th Hot Burlesque. Wildcat Theatre, Bonar Hall, 7.30.

Oct 28th & 29th The Catch. 7:84 Theatre. Bonar Hall, 7.30.

Oct 30th The Catch. 7:84 Theatre. Webster Theatre, Arbroath, 7.30.

RUMOURS

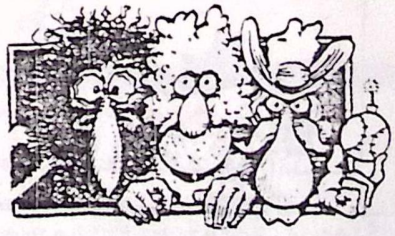
CAST Theatre group here Oct/Nov sometime.

NO NUKES MUSIC strikes again..... Powerful anti-nuclear theatre by European Theatre of War, and anarcho-boppers.... The Poison Girls. Probably at Bonar Hall, First two weeks in November sometime. Help welcomed.

STOP PRESS

National Abortion Campaign Tran-Scotland Sponsored Cycle Ride is in Dundee Sat 26th Sept. Information and support, incl. sponsorship forms and donations, from; P. Doherty, 8a Sommerville Pl. East . Power to your legs!

As a sort of an addendum, tacked on the back of Not the Coorier there will be the latest Libertarian Socialist leaflet(s). We hope that this will encourage disscussion, and give people more idea of our politics & policies.



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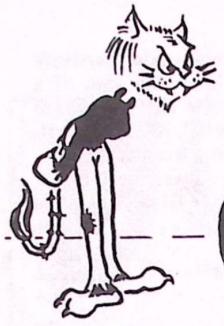

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VIRGIN TWO

FOLLOWING the distribution of a leaflet satirising the way 'Virgin Records', with their chain of 'Megastores' rip off the identity of youth rebellion and make a commodity of it by selling it back in 'hip' form, two Clydeside libertarian socialists were fined £125 on the 29th October at Glasgow Sherriff Court.

The fines were imposed for a 'Breach of the Peace' which had erupted as a group of punk anarchists and the two accused were leaving the Glasgow 'Megastore' after distributing the leaflet in the Singles section of the first floor in the Union St premises. A couple of bouncers reacted to one of the punks shouting 'All the records are free', by wading in and trying to detain people. This led to a melee during which the two were detained and charged with a 'breach' and assault (one of them had assaulted the boot of a bouncer with his chin and his side, after throwing himself down a flight of stairs!).

After being somewhat baffled by the case, and reading confiscated material including the leaflets and a copy of *Xtra*, the judge imposed fines of £125 each on *G* and *J*, the two accused.

The Support group are therefore appealing to enemies of the commodity and hip capitalism nationwide to contribute to a fund to clear the fines and help towards the legal expenses of *G*. Locally it is hoped to stage a benefit concert, and to enlist support throughout Scotland. Send replies c/o Glasgow's new alternative bookshop:
Box V2, 488 Gt Western Rd, Glasgow

IN BRIEF

NICHOLAS II, Czar of All the Russias and about 8,000 other victims of the Revolution have been canonised as martyred saints by the Russian Orthodox Church.

TALKING of 'open government' and the value of a 'Freedom of Information Act', the US Justice Department has announced that it will sue any present and former Government officials, including Presidents, for 'unauthorised publication of secret information'.

THERE has been a fall in the number of prisoners in Britain. The total prison population in England and Wales is now 43,900 according to official figures. It was 45,000 in July. This heartening trend has enabled the closure of the two military camps used for the surplus.

JINGLE TILLS

Santa Claus - British Style

OK, so it's christmas time again and we are all encouraged to buy, buy, buy. It doesn't matter if you've no money, few of us have after all, no, vast over-consumption is the order of the day. If it's beer you drink, every time you dig into your pocket/handbag for a new note or coin remember a certain Mr Younger is getting fatter. If you're lucky enough to have a job, and are putting in a few hours overtime to get a few extra things, presents or whatever, think of the weapons the government are buying with your tax money. Is this really what you want ?

In a town in the north of Denmark a certain organization brings a certain life and meaning to christmas. It is called the "Bøssernes Befrielsesfront", to us, the Father Christmas Liberation Front. Some hundreds of these subversives, dressed in Father Christmas outfits simply go into department stores all together and, posing as store-employed santas, take the goods off the shelves and give them to shoppers and passers-by, until such time as the police (possessing no Xmas spirit) round up the last one, for unseasonal incarceration. Fortunately, under the Danish law, since the Bøssernes do not steal (taking things off a shelf is no offence) and neither do the shoppers (they took things in good faith after all) all is well. I think the Danes may have a lesson for us here. A viking christmas to all our readers.

Many thanks to the ASO (Anarko-Syndikalistisk Organisation i Danmark) for this story.

Combatting Sexism

'HOW soon after you were dropped in Yugoslavia were you able to discover that Tito was in fact a real person and not, as some thought, a woman?' (Sue MacGregor talking to Sir Fitzroy Maclean on BBC Radio 4.) This is one of 300 examples of male sexist attitudes to women in *Naked Ape**, an anthology collected and reprinted from the *Guardian* Women's Page. But isn't the very idea — let alone institution - of a Women's Page sexist? Feminists themselves are not above sexism. Consider the feminist graffiti (p 53) in reply to the car ad: 'If it (photo of car) were a lady, it would get its bottom pinched' — 'If this lady was a car she'd run you down.' How can women (not to mention anti-sexist men) combat prevailing forms and attitudes of male domination, without directly or indirectly collaborating in their reproduction? What are the most effective and principle means of achieving a society of free and equal principled means of achieving a society of free and equal *human beings*?

Clearly, one can begin to address and grapple with the contradictions involved only after appreciating the existence, nature and dimensions of the problem. For attempting to shock women (and men) into an awareness of their collaboration in the whole system of 'unconscious' sexist attitudes to women (p 5), Liz Forgan (originator of the *Guardian* 'Naked Ape' write-in column) and Andrew Veitch deserve our thanks.

Shocking this collection of sexist attitudes in advertising, newspaper and magazine fare certainly is. Contra Forgan and Veitch, many of the included items are *deliberately*, consciously sexist. Almost all the ads for commodities using naked or even clothed women are of this kind. (See eg the photos and models for 'TowaVan, wide open ... for exploitation' (p 52) or Pernod (p 55): 'She's laid on most tables in Dublin pubs, needless to say she never gets stout.' Or consider this answer to the question 'Why Is A Ship Called She?' on an Irish Linen tea cloth (p 59):

> *A ship is called a 'she' because there is always a great deal of bustle around her; there is usually a gang of men about, she has a waist and stays, it takes a lot of paint to keep her good looking; it is not the initial expense that breaks you, it is the upkeep; ... it takes an experienced man to handle her correctly, and without a man at the helm, she is absolutely uncontrollable.....*

The common feature of the sexist attitudes depicted in *Naked Ape* is the portrayal of women as objects for male sexploitation and control. At best, women exist passively to satisfy male needs: 'Every woman loves the idea of a sheikh carrying her off on his white horse and raping her in his tent. It's a basic human instinct.' (Omar Sharif, quoted in the *Daily Mail*, p 11). At worst, women are non-persons, non-humans: 'One advertisement was for a magazine called *Women and Animals*' said Mr Beale. 'What is that but an invitation to the most disgusting debasement of man and of animals?' (Chief prosecutor in obscenity case, quoted in the *Cambridge Evening News*, p 9) Almost every advertisement or item in this collection, from the rape reports to the anti-Thatcher 'jokes', are an admixture or fusion of these two attitudes.

The reason that ours is a society of systematic *male* sexist exploitation is as simple as it is important; *men*, not women, construct and project these definitions and stereotypes onto women. If you're in any doubt, the pages in *Naked Ape* on rape and the administration of 'law' and 'justice' are highly recommended. In every profession or branch of work, from prostitution to advertising, journalism to education, it is men who decide and control the aims, means and rules. Our institutions of health and hospital care, so important for women, confirm the general point.

The problem is that women — as wives, 'housewives' and mothers, nurses and journalists, models and advertising copy-writers, teachers and typists — deliberately or unwittingly *collaborate* in the system of male domination. Of course, as Marx pointed out, in capitalist society based on wage-labour, private property and production for profit, all human powers, male and female, are prostituted and exploited for profit. However, (male) sexism clearly transcends 'classes' and cannot be reduced to capitalism. The problem at bottom is *psychological*, not economic. It concerns the psychology of power: why do (most) men wish to define and dominate (most) women in the ways they do, and why do (most) women accept and collaborate in their victimisation? To 'explain' the social status quo in terms of the prevailing system of sexist institutions and attitudes is to beg precisely what's in question.

What's important about this collection of male sexist attitudes in advertising and community thought and practice is that it helps us understand how all-pervasive the system of sexism is. This is the key fact: sexism is a system in which we all participate and collaborate. The point is not just that we are responsible for all we don't try to change. The more basic problem is that we *must*, whether we like it or not, participate in the system — as dominators, victims or collaborators — as long as it resists abolition.

Naked Ape doesn't attempt to address the problem of how to change the system of male domination without collaborating in its reproduction, how to fight sexism (in all its forms) without using sexist means. On the contrary, it's best to see it and the *Guardian* Women's Page from which it derives as themselves *symptoms of* the problem.

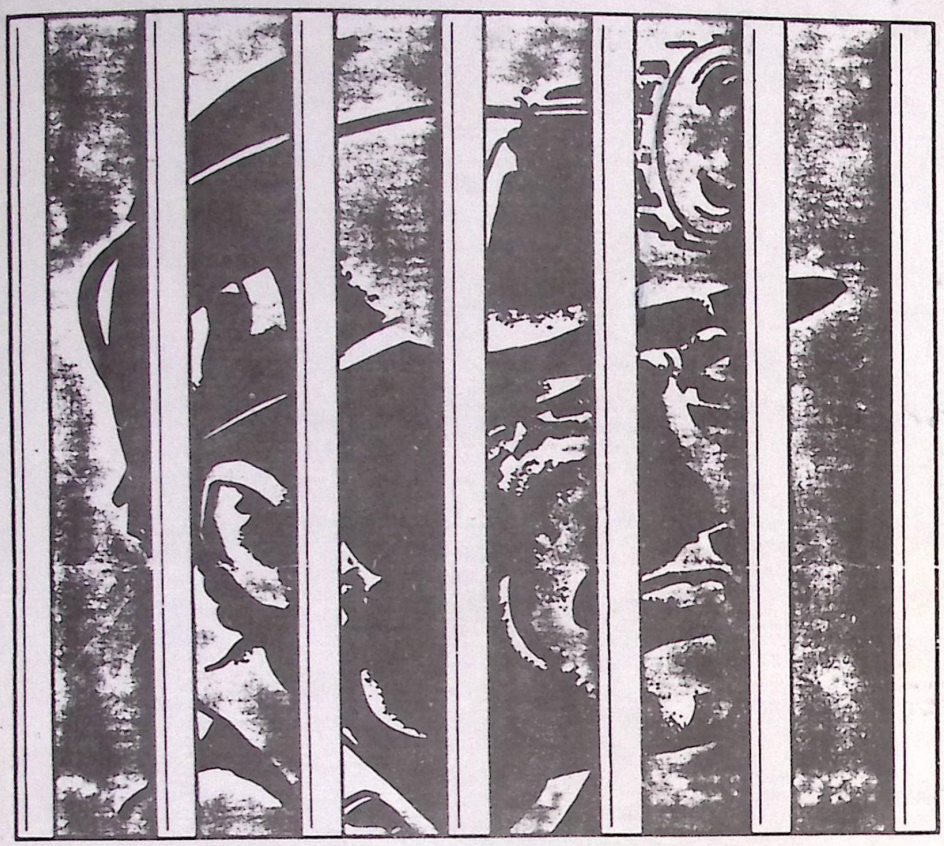
In his essay 'Of Love And Marriage' (1742), David Hume declared that 'no passion seems to have more influence on female minds than this for power' over men, a desire for domination which Hume sees as the direct product of male sexism:

> *But to be just, and to lay the blame more equally, I am afraid it is the fault of our sex, if the women be so fond of rule; and that if we did not abuse our authority, they would never think it worthwhile to dispute it. Tyrants, we know, produce rebels; and all history informs us, that rebels, when they prevail, are apt to become tyrants in their turn. For this reason, I could wish there were no pretensions to authority on either side, but that everything was carried on with perfect equality.*

If Hume is mistaken to suppose that women's dominant role in Western sexist society is other than that of victim-collaborator, he's right, I believe, to draw attention to the impossibility of fighting sexism with sexist means or aims. The fundamental dilemma for feminists is that sexism cannot be abolished by collaborating in it — either by *not* trying to change it on every front, work, home or bedroom; or by adopting sexist methods to fight it. What forms of anti-sexist action are both effective and compatible with truly feminist aims? Any approach which sees 'men' in general as the enemy is part of the problem and doomed to failure.

Andrew Veitch (Ed), *Naked Ape*, Duckworth, 1981. 64pp £1.95

IF WORKERS ORGANIZE...



THEY FACE REPRESSION.

IN BOLIVIA
Miners and their families have been killed by the military government.

IN SOUTH AFRICA
Black trade unionists have been imprisoned and banned.

IN THE USSR
Vladimir Klebanov is still in a special psychiatric hospital for attempting to organise workers.
Never mind Kronstadt, 1921.

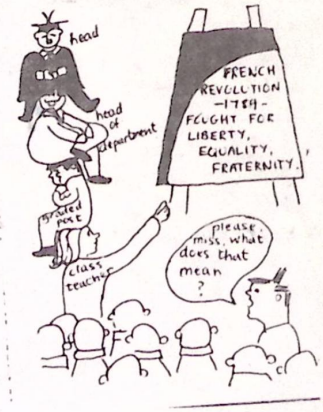
JOIN, GET YOUR ORGANISATION AFFILIATED AND HELP SET THE WORLD TO RIGHTS. Amnesty International

Write to Amnesty Trade Union Officer, Amnesty FREEPOST (no stamp required), London WC2E 7BR
or phone Jenny Stephenson 01-836 5621

The (slightly changed) leaflet above is reproduced as part of our "support for one-issue campaigns without illusions" stance. We are genuinely glad to see Amnesty International undergoing a revival in both town and university at the moment. The expanding group holds regular meetings on the 2nd Thursday of every month at 7.30 pm, in the Friends Meeting House on Whitehall Cres. All welcome.

WEA

Dundee Workers' Educational Association (WEA) launched both its new premises and a more public profile at a social/business meeting last week.
Based in rented offices at 5-7 West Bell St, WEA now hopes to offer a range of education and research services to local groups, TU's, etc. They already have around 15 tutors on their register offering courses/info/advice and are looking for more. They are also building up a library/ resource centre to service these activities.
WEA have recently put together a perceptive slide and commentary show documenting the economic rise and fall of Dundee & available to interested groups.
WEA are now planning out the organisation's course for the year ahead. They are looking for both new members (£1 for local branch subscription) and voluntary tutors.
Contact 5-7 W Bell St.



Salvador Puig Antich
Murdered
Dawn
March 2 1974
by
the agents of
Francisco Franco Bahamonde
Caudillo of Spain
Non OMNIS MORIAR

For those survivors who have fought the class war a support organisation also exists, which is nothing to do with Amnesty, this is "ANARCHIST BLACK CROSS". For further details, contact the secretary, ABC, Over-the-Water, Sanday, Orkney.

ARE YOU

AN ENEMY OF THE STATE

IT'S A WHOLE NEW ERA OF HAPPENINGS

People

These sparsely filled columns suggest a definite seasonal pause in Dundee's alternative activities.

But make sure your next year's happenings get plenty of advance publicity.
Contact NTC at our address on page 3 and guarantee it coming to the attention of our mass readership

HORSEWHIPPINGS TOO GOOD FOR THEM.....
I DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY DO, BUT I'D LIKE TO PUT A STOP TO IT....
KNEW ONE ONCE... DAMN NICE FELLOW... GAVE HIM TEN YEARS... PITY..
DISGUSTING
ARTISTIC AREN'T THEY?
IT'S THE HORMONES YOU KNOW.
I BLAME THE PARENTS
DIDN'T SEE THEM BEFORE THE WAR...

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'My political opinions lean more and more to anarchy... The most improper job of any man, even saints, is bossing other men. There is only one bright spot and that is the growing habit of disgruntled men of dynamiting factories and power stations. I hope that, encouraged now as patriotism, may remain a habit...'

JRR Tolkien
(In a letter to his son)

An article in last months NTC decribed the problems faced by local groups advertising in The Courier

But The Couriers iron grip on the minds of even Dundee's more progressive minded citizens was recent-ly demonstrated.

As publicity for CND's October public meeting, the painstaking and risky method of flyposting was adopted. Result- a sparse 15-20 turnout.

For their November public meeting, the simple (though costly and ideologically doubtful) method of placing an ad in The Courier was adopted Result - a healthy 40 or so attendance.

Conclusion - advertise in in NTC instead. Its cheaper and we don't exploit anyone important.

MEETINGS ETC

Dec 9th SWP Public Meeting. The Struggle for Socialism in Britain and Ireland Spkr T. Cliff 7.30 Wellgate Conference Room

Dec 9th SCRAM Weekly Meeting at DASS 1 High St 7.30

Dec 10th Amnesty International Tayside Group meets 2nd Thursday of every month. 7.30 Friends Meeting House Whitehall Crescent

Dec 10th CND Dundee Nuclear Power-No Thanks Meets 2nd Thursday of every month 7.30 Friends Meeting House

EVENTS/HAPPENINGS ETC

Dec 17th Womens Aid Fund Raising Mixed Disco Trades Council Social Club Rattray Street 8.00-12.00 Licensed £1.00

up to Dec 19th Craft Exhibition 11.00-4.00 (exc Thurs & Sun) Lowdons Close St Andrews

Dec 18th CAMRA Pub Crawl Commences Ladywell 7.30

TUT! TUT! AS A CIVIL SERVANT..
...THAT WOULD BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL BUT I MAY BE ABLE TO HELP
FILL IN THESE REQUEST FORMS IN TRIPLICATE
BUT I WANTED A SPONTANEOUS RED CONFLAGRATION!
FILL IN THE FORMS, DEAR BOY

NOT THE COURIER

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